



## **Impact of new laboratory studies of $N_2O_5$ hydrolysis on tropospheric $NO_x$ , $O_3$ and OH**

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The impact of new laboratory studies of  $N_2O_5$  hydrolysis in aerosols on global model simulations of tropospheric chemistry are studied. We use data from these new studies to parameterize the reaction probability  $\gamma_{N_2O_5}$  in the GEOS-CHEM global model. The parameterization is given as a function of local aerosol composition, temperature, and relative humidity. Globally we find that the mean  $\gamma_{N_2O_5}$  (0.02) is much lower than commonly assumed in models (0.1). Relative to a model simulation assuming a uniform  $\gamma_{N_2O_5} = 0.1$ , we find increases in mass-averaged tropospheric  $NO_x$ ,  $O_3$ , and OH concentrations of 7%, 4%, and 8% respectively.